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FROM THE COURIER FILES

T. D. Thomas' residence on the hillside, north of J. W. Bland's residence, slid down the hill into the street on account of heavy rains softening the earth. One of B. T. Davis' tenant houses near the Bottling Works was covered by an avalanche from the clay bluff. The latter house was occupied by Henry Williams, a negro.

A. S. of E. society met at the courthouse, with S. L. Dodds, president, and W. M. Shaw, secretary.

Sim Jackson was arrested on charge of obtaining money under false pretenses.

J. H. Millet took charge of Baiter & Dodds clothing department.

Mamie, wife of Chas. Lattimer, died Dec. 29th.

R. E. Kelley, of Fulton, advocated a 10c road tax.

The Hickman Hardware Co. took possession of their east store room, which was previously used as a grocery department by Ellison Bros.

T. J. Malone and wife moved to Union City. Where Mr. Malone had accepted a position with Hardy Bros. & Hagnewood Co.

Hon. R. T. Tyler was in Washington in the interest of Fulton County's levee.

Lon Robertson was in the grocery business here.

Miss Hazel Johnson and Postmaster J. T. Stephens were on the sick list.

W. A. Dodds moved into his "new" office.

F. S. Moore qualified as administrator of the estate of Sam Oliver with S. A. Wilson, surety. W. J. Thomas qualified as administrator for the Wilson heirs with J. T. Plummer surety.

J. C. Ellison moved to his present home.

Board of Equalization was in session. The members were E. C. Carter, W. C. Johnson, W. F. Perry, J. C. Lawson, W. P. Polts, J. T. Stubblefield and R. E. Kelley.

W. J. Cook of Crutchfield, took charge of the Thomas House.

The K. K. was advertising hamburgers and homemade candy.

Messrs Archie and Short were here trying to interest our people in an electric line from Hickman to Union City, Fulton, Clinton and Paducah.

Rev. J. G. Clark (now dead) was appointed President Elder of this district.

A. S. Rosedale moved his photo gal-

lery from the W. A. Dodds corner to its present location.

C. C. Bondurant and Miss Lucy Burrus were married Dec. 27.

The Literary Circle met with Mrs. Henderson. On the program were Mrs. Amberg, Davis, Johnson and Miss Ivy DeBow.

Council met with the following members present: Dillon, Hertweck, Hale, Caruthers, Donnell, Helm and Edmonds.

T. A. Hager registered with the county clerk for the practice of medicine.

Miss Dora Smith, school superintendent, renewed her bond, which was signed by H. Buchanan, J. A. Thompson and Dr. J. M. Hubbard. Sheriff Seat also renewed his bond.

Frightful Polar Winds

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TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.

Whereas, it has pleased the Supreme Dictator of the universe to remove by death from our midst our late sister, Eula Threlkeld, and

Whereas, it is but just that a fitting recognition of her many virtues should be had, therefore,

Be it resolved, That in the death of Eula this church has lost a worthy member, one that was always happy and met each and all with a bright smile and to her family she was always a kind and affectionate daughter and sister, and the community in which she lived a loved and respected member.

Resolved, That this church extend to the family of our deceased sister its heartfelt sympathy in this the hour of their deep affliction and

Be it resolved, That the members of the church try to copy her noble example and help to point others to the Savior which she worshiped.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the records of the church and Sunday School minutes, and a copy thereof be transmitted to the family of our deceased associate, and that they be published in the Hickman Courier.

Poplar Grove Baptist church.

Fanny Brasfield, Mozelle Brasfield and Elsie Shaw, Com.

Lame back may come from overwork, cold settled in the muscles of the back, or from disease. In the two former cases the right remedy is BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT. It should be rubbed in thoroughly over the affected part, the relief will be prompt and satisfactory. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Hickman Drug Co.

A Very Timely Article on Truck Farming

Lecture by Mr. R. T. Berry of the Tennessee Department of Agriculture

Fulton county is short on truck farmers. If we intend to give this matter attention, now is the time for its consideration. Following we print a good article on this subject from the pen of R. T. Berry, of the Agriculture Dept. of Tennessee. This article may be read with advantage to the small farmers of West Kentucky and Tennessee. If you are sick of low-priced cotton, the uncertainty of corn and can't raise alfalfa—get into the truck business. Hickman offers more than an average local market, and St. Louis shipments can be profitably made. Get out of the old rut—read the following article:

"Truck growing, like farming, is not a science, but an art, so I shall not attempt to lay down any hard and fast rules for men to follow if they see fit to engage in growing vegetables for market. No two growers will agree upon all of the details of the growth of plants in the beds or their cultivation in the field, neither will any two pieces of land make the same response to the growers' efforts, though given identically the same treatment; nor will any variety give the same results when grown on different soils or by different men; but there are some general principles that are alike applicable to all growers and all soils, and it is to these general principles that I shall try to confine my remarks today. But before beginning the discussion of the details of truck growing I want first to compare for your benefit the advantages and disadvantages of truck growing as compared to general, or rather, staple farm crops.

"Chief among the advantages is that as a rule greater returns being received from lands devoted to truck growing, less land is required than for general farming, and this constitutes an advantage that will have the careful consideration of every man who is called upon to purchase land in this, the day of rapidly increasing prices on that kind of property.

"Another advantage which to my mind is of much greater importance than the one just mentioned, is the better opportunity offered for maintaining the fertility of our soil; no truck grower need ever allow his land to become run down if he makes any intelligent effort to prevent its doing so.

"Just here I want to discuss briefly the relative amount of plant food removed from the soil by a crop of corn and a crop of tomatoes, as this has a direct bearing on the problem of keeping up the fertility of the land.

"A crop of corn producing 30 bushels per acre will remove from the soil 51 pounds of nitrogen, 19.6 pounds of phosphoric acid, and 11.2 pounds of potash, and will give its total weight 11.88 per cent. of water;

while a crop of tomatoes of 18000 pounds or 300 bushels will remove only 28.8 pounds of nitrogen, 9 pounds of phosphoric acid and 48.6 pounds of potash, and contain 93.64 per cent. water. At present valuation of these plant food, the corn takes from the soil \$11.74 worth, while the tomatoes only take away \$8.64 worth, and this in spite of the fact that the tomatoes remove more pounds of plant food than does the corn, but it is of the cheaper phosphoric acid and potash, while the corn takes away the more costly nitrogen of nearly twice the amount that the tomatoes do.

"Now, fortunately for the truck grower, in addition to the fact that his crop as a rule removes less nitrogen from the land than staple crops, he has the further advantage of being able to follow his vegetable crop with some leguminous one, such as cow peas or soy beans, that will gather nitrogen from the air and at the same time the stubble of the truck crop, leaves, vines, etc., in connection with the stubble of the peas or beans, will be constantly adding humus or organic matter to the soil.

"In view of the necessity for the free, even lavish use of commercial fertilizers or barnyard manures, which every trucker must make if he expects to grow profitable crops, and the further fact that no vegetable crop ever uses up all of the plant food placed there for their use, but leaves a considerable residue for the use of the legumes, and this in turn produces luxuriant crops of them, you can readily see what a great advantage the trucker possesses over the general farmer in the matter of keeping up his lands.

"The trucker is also compelled to practice a systematic rotation if he would avoid the different diseases which are liable to attack his crops if grown upon the same land year after year, and as truck crops remove varying amounts of plant food from the soil, just as do staple crops, the balance of the different elements is very easily maintained.

"You will probably understand better if I explain that one crop will remove more potash than another while the other will remove more nitrogen, and still another will take out more phosphoric acid, and if any one crop is growing continuously upon the same piece of land, that land becomes exhausted of the particular element of which that plant requires most, and it gets into such condition that it will not grow maximum crops of that one; but if it is grown in rotation with crops which require more of the other two, then the elements of plant food remains upon a more even balance and each crop does better in its turn than if grown continuously on the same land.

"Taking into consideration the remarkably small amount of plant food removed from the soil by fruit and vegetables as compared to the total weight of the crop, makes a definition that I once heard given of a trucker seem very fitting. The definition was that he was 'a man who put water for sale in fancy packages.'

"Another advantage is that less land being required upon which to operate, means more homes, and more homes means more churches, more schools and more of that coming in contact with each other in a social way that constitutes for the average man and woman one of the chief charms of life, and without which the joy of living would be greatly lessened for the country dweller.

"So much land labor being necessary in truck growing, it offers much better opportunities for all the people of the community to get employment; even very small children can do a good deal of the work, such as picking berries transplanting tomatoe tying an helping to gather them; and in addition, the greatly increased tonnage produced per acre, which the railroads have to carry away, furnishes work for many extra men.

"One other advantage to which I wish to call your attention is the opportunity offered trucking districts of building up at the expense of other and usually distant places.

"Now you understand as well as I do that it is the money brought in from the sale of stuff that is exported or shipped that really adds to the



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wealth of a community, and as but a small per cent. of the truck grown in West Tennessee is consumed here, but most of it being shipped to distant cities, it must add largely to our wealth. Practically all the crops are shipped to cities and money received for them is all spent or invested in the community where the stuff is grown, with the exception of the small per centage which is sent away for fertilizers.

"This is not so true of staple crops, except cotton, these being sold to men in the community and amounts to a change of ownership rather than an addition of wealth of that place.

"While it is absolutely necessary that we have food to eat and clothes to wear and food for our stock, it is only produce what we and they eat and wear out we are no better off at the end of the year than we were at the beginning, but rather the worse off, since we have to consider the time that is gone beyond recall, depreciation of value in the stock and tools and the depletion of the soil of the elements of fertility necessary for the production of the crop just consumed. This being true, it behooves any man to carefully consider every matter tending towards an increase of the crop above cost of growing.

"Now as to the disadvantages. Chief among them in my section is the scarcity of labor, and so much hard work being required. Every man should have his labor arranged for in advance. Truck crops grown with the expectation of profitable returns will not admit of the neglect that ordinary farm crops will, and a

difference of two or three days in the planting of the seed, putting them out in the field or incultivation of the crop, frequently means the difference between a large profit and actual loss, and unless a man intends to give them attention just when they need it, he had better stick to general crops and let truck growing alone. Eternal vigilance and unceasing industry are the prices of success in this business. Another disadvantage about the crop is that it must be gathered just when it is ready—a day's delay means loss with almost any truck crop, but more especially with tomatoes, strawberries, cantaloupes and other crops of that nature."

A Girl's Wild Midnight Ride.

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